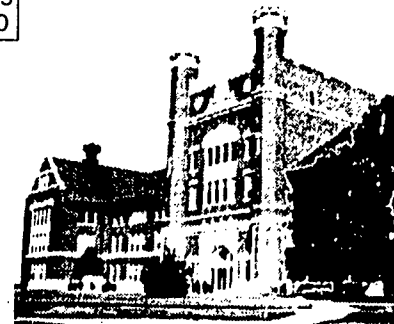


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Facility plans new opening

Maryville Treatment Center collaborates with University to generate training programs

COLIN MCDONOUGH
CHIEF REPORTER

The Maryville Treatment Center's opening has been pushed back from May 1996 to Aug. 1.

The change was made by the Department of Corrections to help save money and make the training easier for the staff.

With the Maryville Treatment Center slated for opening the Northwest campus is making plans as well.

The Northwest campus and North Central Missouri College in Trenton could be working together more as a result of the Maryville Treatment Center.

University President Dean Hubbard said Northwest does not have a criminal justice major but could soon with the opening of the center.

Northwest has only a criminal justice minor in its curriculum at this point.

"The first thing we will do is articulate a criminal justice major with North Central Missouri College in Trenton," he said.

"They have a two-year program, and we will add two years to make it a four-year program," he said.

Hubbard said Northwest could eventually end up with this four-year program completely

stationed on campus.

Hubbard said after the four-year plan is figured out, the two schools could still articulate the program by allowing some of their teachers to teach classes at Northwest using interactive video technology that will be available.

Hubbard said Northwest will also start a program that would allow students to become certified as drug and alcohol counselors.

"We have promised to offer a program in substance abuse counseling," he said. "That's a certifiable program. You can be certified as a counselor in substance abuse."

The Maryville Treatment Center will also help in the development of the program because of its hands-on opportunities, Hubbard said.

"The treatment center provides you with a clinical opportunity to have a really first-class program," he said.

"You can offer a program, but if the students don't get a chance to get out in the real world and practice what they're learning, it diminishes the quality of it. Having a clinical facility just really enriches the program."

Officials will hire a director for the program who will be an employee of the University, Hubbard said.

Hubbard said he is excited about the program.

"It will be a good program," he said. "It will be a great benefit to our students and to the community. I'm convinced it's a big plus."

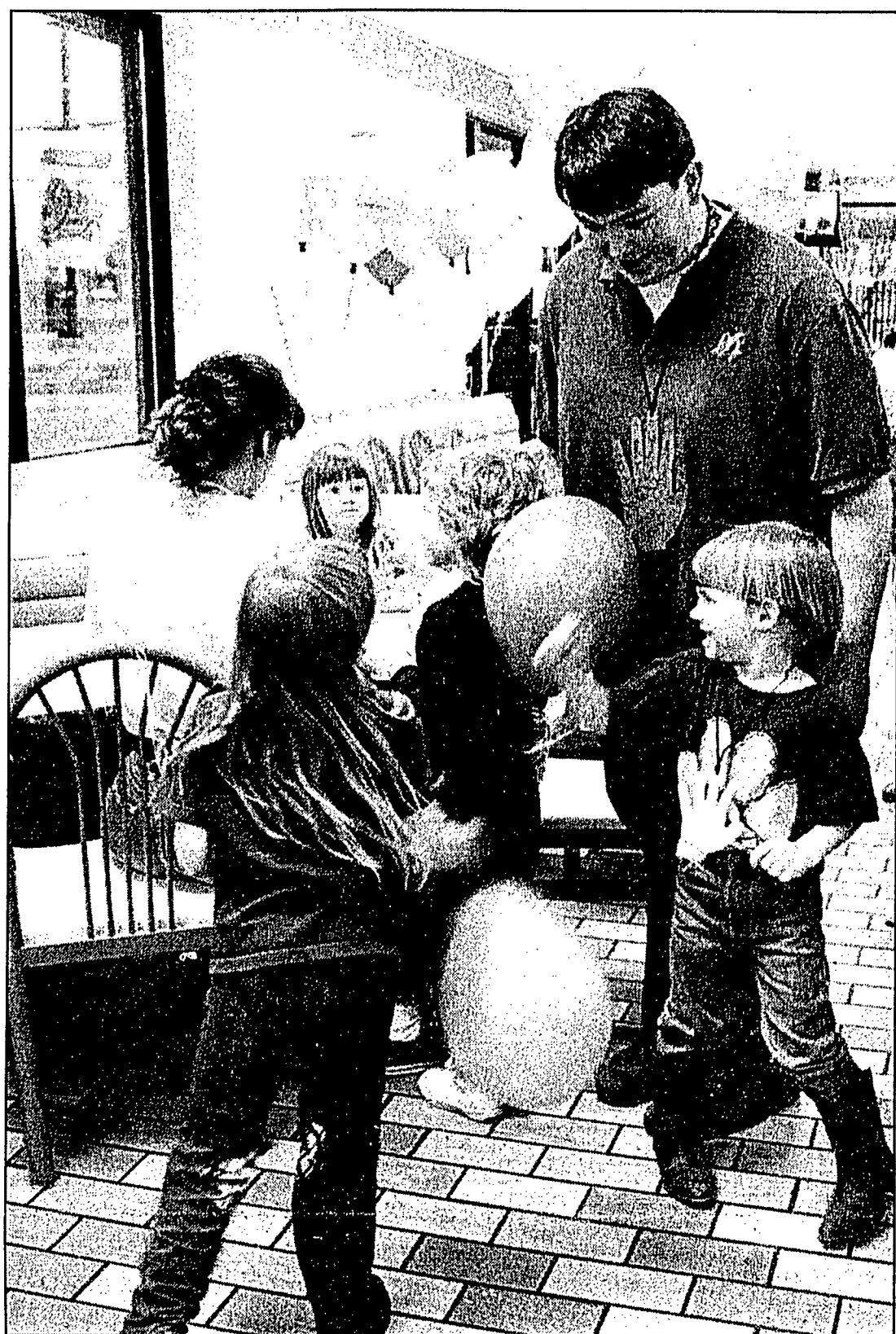
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Dean Hubbard
University President

McDonald's Kids.

Employee Bryan Frey and a few youngsters enjoy the balloons set up for kids' night Wednesday at McDonald's. From 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. every Wednesday night, the store will have a "Kids Night," in which children will play games like "Ronald Says" and limbo as well as make crafts. The children will be entertained by a few employees every week.

LAURA RIEDEL/
Chief Photographer



Electronic campus needs budget boost

REGINA BRUNTMEYER
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Testifying before the Missouri Senate Appropriations committee, University President Dean Hubbard and Beth Wheeler, executive director of community relations, explained a request for \$500,000 in Jefferson City on Monday.

Hubbard told the senators the money would be used for the second phase of the electronic campus project.

Hubbard pointed out several strengths of the current system. He played on the fact that Northwest is experienced with the electronic campus and has worked to keep the system current.

Northwest has not asked for money for the project since the legislature appropriated \$1.2 million in fiscal year 1986, Hubbard said.

One senator on the committee had positive things to say about Northwest.

"In regards to technology, Northwest has been setting the pace for 10 years," Joe Maxwell, a Democrat from Mexico, said.

"You (Northwest) have a good track record," Maxwell said. "That's always good. (Northwest) can come in and brag about what (it has) already done."

The fact that Northwest's electronic campus is still cutting edge may prove to be to an advantage.

"It's not wasted money; it's living money,"

Maxwell said. "The investment will live on past its appropriated year. I think all of those are good answers."

The Senate and House will iron out the differences in proposals in a conference meeting after which Gov. Mel Carnahan will either sign or veto the proposal.

"I'm quite optimistic that (Congress) will go along with the governor's proposal," Hubbard said.

Hubbard told the committee that he supported the governor's recommendations. The governor's budget allots \$23,706,320, which is up 11.4 percent from the money the state gave Northwest last year, which was \$21,286,604.

However, it is important to note that the state funds only make up about 56 percent of Northwest's \$41 million budget, controller Ray Courter said. Last year's state percentage was similar.

Of the money in the budget, \$798,549 will go toward Information Technology, Phase III, which is a one-time fund. The \$500,000 Hubbard spoke of Monday is included.

The money will help upgrade the electronic campus by purchasing equipment to help bring classrooms up to electronic standards and work with the networking of the system, Courter said. It will help upgrade the things "behind the scenes."

Students lobby for Northwest

CYNTHIA HANSEN
MISSOURIAN STAFF

After an early morning departure time and endless hours on a bus, Student Senate made a trip to the state capital worthwhile.

Student Senate members left Tuesday from Northwest and headed to the Capitol building in Jefferson City. The trip was slated to address issues concerning Northwest. Some of those issues included money to upgrade the electronic campus and the Culture of Quality document.

For those who attended, the goal came to a successful conclusion.

"The college students that went were outstanding and their dedication helped make the

trip a success," Dawn Gardner, student affairs committee chairwoman, said.

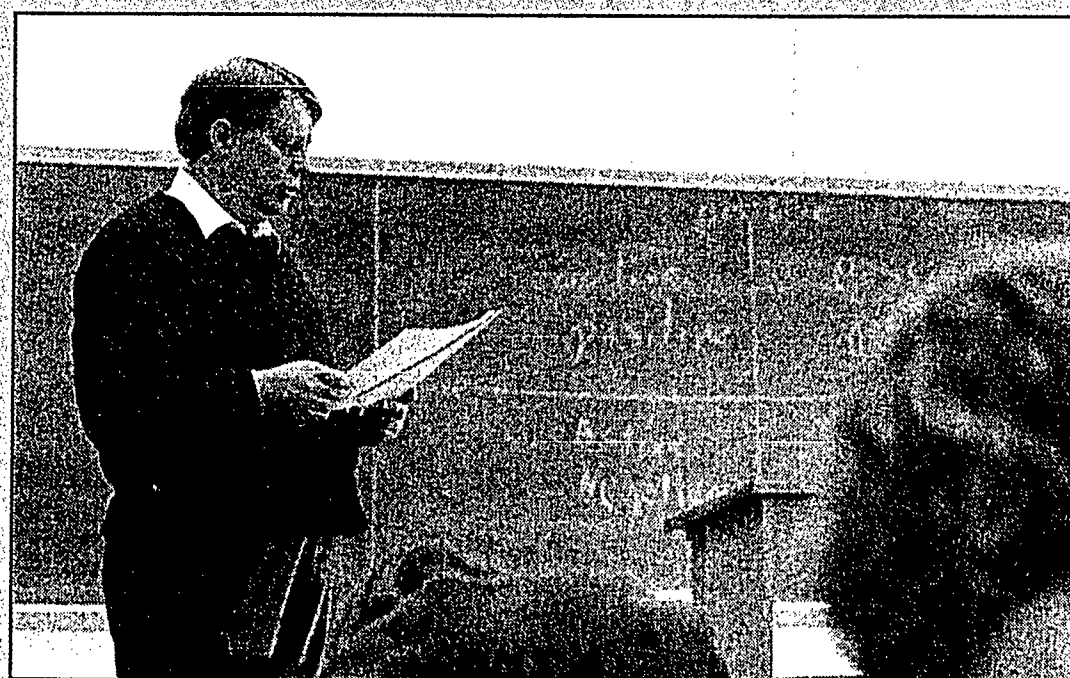
The group visited the State Senate and House of Representatives' chambers and their floors.

All the students were designated to meet some of the legislators.

"There was a successful number of legislators available in their offices to meet with students," Gardner said.

With the group expectations set, Gardner had some of her own to complete.

"I wanted to see a good turnout and I also wanted to get at least some students in to meet with the governor," Gardner said. "You don't know what to expect (with this trip)."



Dream come true. Robert Dewhirst, associate professor of government, is living out his lifelong dream of being a college instructor. In addition to other classes, Dewhirst teaches American Presidency, a class he initiated at Northwest.

JENNIFER STEWART/
Chief Photographer

Professor lives out teaching dream

CHRIS TRIEBSCH
MANAGING EDITOR

Studying in the University of Missouri-Columbia library one Sunday afternoon, a young man, fresh to his new life as a college student, realized that his lifelong dream was to become a college instructor. It happened almost that suddenly for Robert Dewhirst, associate professor of government.

But before that dream was realized, Dewhirst would travel the world as a soldier and journalist, which has helped him in the classroom.

"I knew that I wanted to teach in college when I was 18 years old," Dewhirst said. "I realized I loved college. In high school I said I wanted to go through college in three years just to get it over with. And then a strange thing happened to me—I loved college."

In fact, Dewhirst wanted to be a college student his entire life. "I realized I couldn't do that, so I thought well, as I jokingly tell my students, students have the best life there is," Dewhirst said. "The second best is to be the teacher."

Ironically, Dewhirst did not start teaching until he was 38 years old. After graduating with a bachelor's degree in both broadcast journalism and political science and eventually a master's degree in journalism, Dewhirst found his way into the U.S. Army. He went on to become the command information officer for a major command in Vietnam.

"One of the benefits of the job was that I got to travel all over Vietnam," Dewhirst said. "I could go anywhere, so I literally got to see the whole country wearing a uniform, but I was really more of a tourist."

"And I readily admit I have no war stories to tell. I didn't shoot anybody other than with a camera. So, while technically I am a Vietnam veteran, I am not what you would normally think of as a Vietnam veteran in terms of the hardships."

After returning from the military, Dewhirst realized that his heart was with print journalism, not broadcasting. He worked at a weekly paper in Blue Springs, earning \$100 a week



and working 80 to 90 hours during the week.

Dewhirst worked for the *Kansas City Star* from 1974 to '75. Although he never received senior reporter status, Dewhirst still covered big stories and had exclusive interviews.

"The first interview I did with (Sen. Bob) Dole was fascinating because he was going to give a speech to a veterans club," Dewhirst said. "This guy comes up and they are talking about OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration), and it had just passed. This guy came up and he was livid. I was embarrassed. When he left, I said (to Dole) 'Well, another day in the life of a senator.' I will never forget that."

Dewhirst also covered other events, such as murder trials.

In one dramatic trial, Dewhirst remembers the reaction of a mother when her son was convicted for killing her daughter-in-law.

"She almost passed out and she was literally shaking (even) before they said guilty," he said. "It was a very pathetic case."

Dewhirst was harassed for his coverage of various events.

"I had a county commissioner come up behind me and put his hands around my neck," Dewhirst said. "He had very large hands and he squeezed 'til someone said my face turned purple. He said 'You need to be more balanced and give our side of things a little better.'"

Even though Dewhirst was insulted and yelled at, he said the biggest problem with print journalism was the long hours.

For that reason, Dewhirst left the newspaper business to marry his wife, Nina, in 1975 because he didn't think newspaper work would be conducive to marriage. He now has two children who currently attend Horace Mann and Maryville High schools.

After serving in public relations for a small college in Illinois, he

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Our View

Graphic film to enhance awareness of drugs, sex

It's not often that Maryville gets a taste of the big city, but this weekend students and residents will have the opportunity to peer into the inner bowels of New York City in the film "KIDS."

The only question now is whether or not people will take advantage of this opportunity.

First of all, "KIDS" is not an easy movie to watch — graphic violence coupled with explicit sex scenes can make for an uncomfortable viewing experience.

However, "Schindler's List" was the same way. That film tackled the issue of the Holocaust with a no-holds-barred attitude — gruesome deaths, pathetic conditions and inherent evil.

But, just like "Schindler's List," "KIDS" is important to see. After watching "KIDS," viewers should be more aware of the life that exists outside of Maryville's comfortable boundaries.

It's one thing to talk about the problems of inner city youth, drugs and teenage sex, but to know a little bit of the story from the teenagers' point of view can only open your mind more.

Student Senate wanted to bring this film to campus to broaden the range of experience of the students at Northwest. They should be commended for taking the risk of introducing such a controversial film to campus.

The group has taken extra pains to make sure that those who choose to see

"KIDS" are either responsible enough to see it, or are accompanied by supervision.

"KIDS," sponsored by Student Senate and Campus Activity Programmers, will be shown at 7 and 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$3. Please take this opportunity to open your mind to life outside the Midwest.

CAMPUS EDITORIAL



Our View

School board should make soccer a fall sport

For the fourth time since 1976, a parent-organized committee has established a strong proposal including soccer as a coed interscholastic sport at the Maryville High School.

During past proposals, the school board has declined a soccer program in the curriculum for various reasons, such as insufficient interest and lack of support.

This year, thankfully, the support and willpower of the committee members is strong. Immediate city support includes about 150 high school students who expressed an interest in the sport and numerous parents and residents. Regional support includes four St. Joseph high schools, Atchison High School, Maur Hill Prep and Tarkio Academy, plus arranging team play with Kearney, Rockhurst High School and many others.

The board members should look at the most evident factor showing that soccer is a popular sport in Maryville.

The number of players in Maryville's chapter of the American Youth Soccer Organization has increased from 25 participants in 1976 to 502 participants in 1996.

The AYSO program provides the basics for participants who enjoy the sport and grasp the concept of playing strategies and

skills. But it does not provide the competitive edge.

The implementation of soccer into the schedule will not affect other fall sports because it would be included without forcing others out. A number of students that

do not play in fall sports have told the committee they would participate in soccer.

Economically speaking, soccer is a low costing sport, with the largest costs arising the first year as equipment and uniforms will need to be purchased.

The school board needs to open its eyes and look

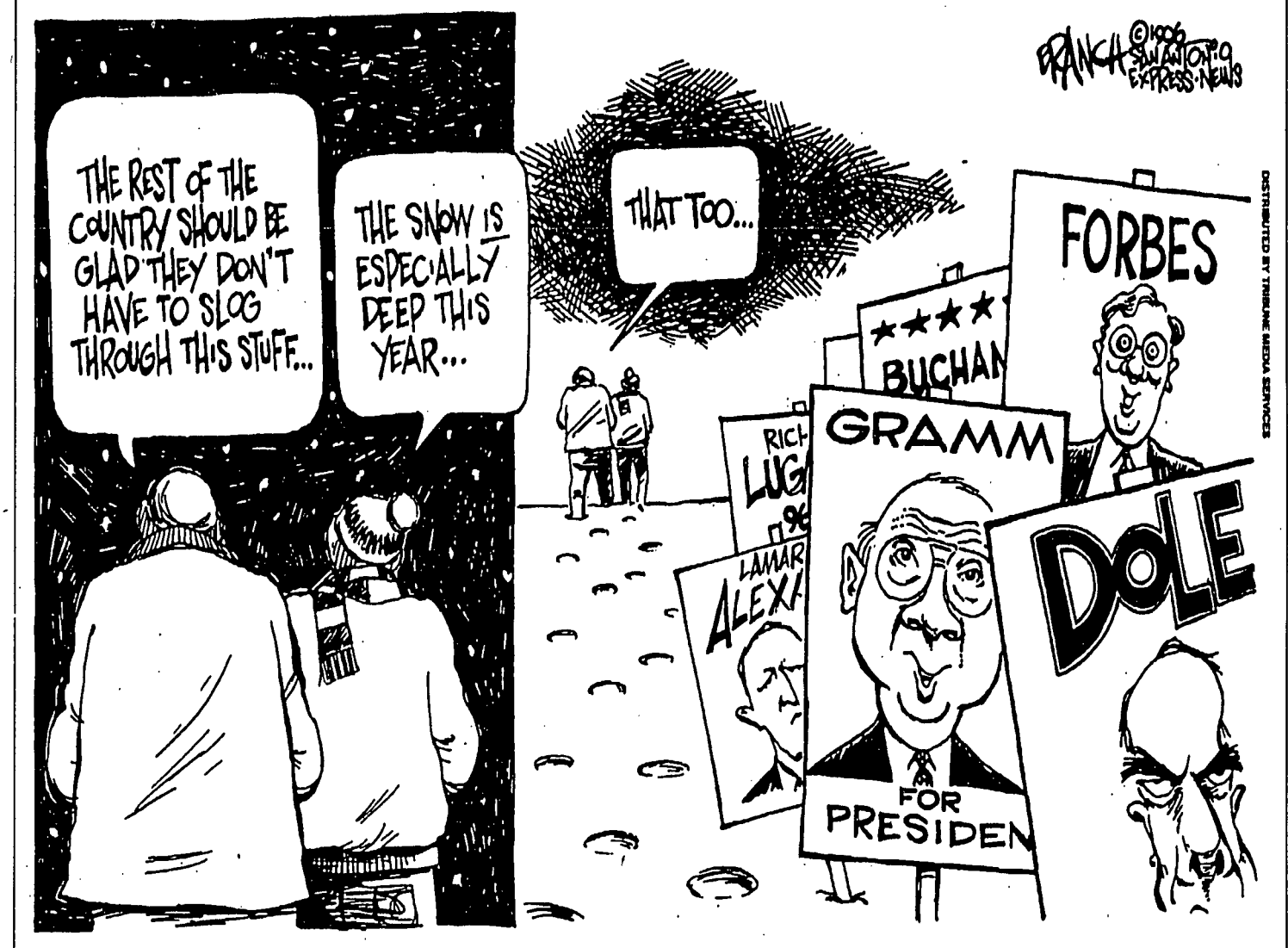
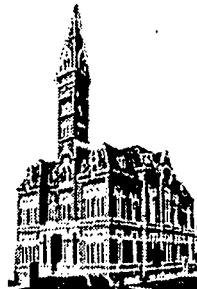
globally. A total of 138 nations officially entered the 1994 World Cup soccer competition, and soccer is played in almost every country in the world.

The board should also look nationally. The Industry Council of America said in 1992 that 15.2 million Americans played soccer at least once, and 6.8 million players under the age of 12 established soccer as the second most popular sport.

Every day government officials try to cut things out of agendas to save money. Soccer is not something that would set back Maryville financially.

Implementing soccer will take Maryville to places where the nation and world have already been.

CITY EDITORIAL



My Turn

Why do people do the things they do?

Have you ever noticed that every sidewalk on campus eventually leads to the Bell Tower? Or just off into oblivion? What about those cedar chip sidewalks? These are the ones that students most often use, and cedar chip sidewalks aren't the most user friendly after a rain.

I have. I've also noticed several little things about Northwest. I don't understand why we do some of the things we do, but I do not think I am the only one who has noticed.

First off, do the people who walk by the mirror windows at the library and fix their hair, make-up and whatever realize they look like complete idiots to people inside the building?

As they walk by primping, all of us students who are diligently working inside are subjected to the insanely vain preoccupations of the primpers.

Speaking of insanity, walking into any of the commuter parking lots on campus is taking your life into your own hands.

One step off the safety zone of sidewalk and you are a quickly opening a parking spot target.

People in their cars circle the lots, look like sharks tracking their prey.



CHRIS GALITZ

University ornaments stand out like sore thumbs to passersby

They all have the same beady, glazed over eyes that have scanned the parking lots for what has seemed like endless hours. Minutes seem like hours when you are going to be late for class and can't find an 8-foot by 5-foot spot to legally leave your car.

Once you find a parking place and follow the sidewalk past the Bell Tower, you will probably bump into a friend who wants to chat.

You quickly notice she is talking with her hands more than ever before, to the

point that innocent passersby could be injured by her flying digits.

If you look closely at one of those digits as it waves past your face, you'll see why dramatics have been used. A large, gaudy and overpriced hunk of gold and aged coal has replaced that bare spot on her left ring finger.

She won't come out and say she is engaged. Instead, she'll try to blind you with the reflection of the diamond on her finger.

What about the good old kissing bridge? Who decided it should be deemed the Kissing Bridge? Why not the hugging bridge, the hand-holding bridge or the make-out overpass? Has anyone used it for the specific purpose of kissing since the early '50s?

A trip to Wal-Mart can lead to some pretty interesting sights as well.

A bright green John Deere tractor was parked in the Wal-Mart parking lot one day last week while the tractor owner apparently shopped. Of course it was hard to notice among the older model Massey Fergusons and Cases.

Small town life, a'n't it grand?

Chris Galitz is the photography director for the Northwest Missourian.

Letters to the Editor

We appreciate all the letters we have received, but please limit your letters to 200 WORDS because of space constraints. We have the right to refuse and to edit letters. Letters must be signed and include the author's name, address and day and night home numbers for verification purposes. Send letters to Wells Hall #8 or by E-mail at 0500214.

Columnist misses point

Dear Editor,

Derrick Barker has it right: "The wealthy do not deserve sympathy."

And, following his logic, whenever they go to the store for groceries they should pay a little more than we do for the same goods. At the gas station, the rich should pay, maybe, 20-50 cents more per gallon.

Everywhere there's goods or services for sale... they should pay more. It would only be fair.

He's right to ignore our tax system as a means to collect revenue for necessary government services.

Every clear-thinking person today knows the government's role is to redistribute income in whatever is the most caring fashion of the day.

Just because someone works harder or is smarter than others, or invests more wisely, why should that person think it's his/her money?

The money is, of course, the government's... and whatever percentage currently elected politicians decide the rich should keep is only fair.

"Just be thankful we didn't take it all."

What a crazy idea it would be for the government to be stuck with a single percentage, and have to budget services around that revenue.

It's much more reasonable for politicians to first decide how much they want to spend, then devise a totally unrelated taxation plan based on redistribution, and one that annually includes a deficit.

And, fortunately for him, it's a good thing he ignored the living allowance all the single rate plans include (the first \$24,000-36,000 income a family of four pays no income tax

on) or his argument would fall flat.

Doug McNulty

Flat tax does make sense

Dear Editor,

I would like to comment on Derrick Barker's column in last week's issue titled "The wealthy people do not deserve sympathy." In Barker's column, he explained his reasons why the flat-tax would not benefit the middle-class, and would give an unneeded tax cut to, "the most wealthy and affluent in America." When we look at the facts about the flat-tax proposal, we will find Barker's statements far from the truth.

With family deductions as part of the flat-tax, Rep. Dick Arney, cosponsor of the flat-tax proposal, contends that a family of four who earns under \$36,800 will owe nothing in federal taxes.

People who earn \$50,000 will pay five percent; people who earn \$200,000 will pay 14 percent of their income to federal income tax. So not only does the middle class benefit, it is a "progressive tax," which Barker raved about.

The flat-tax is an honest system where everybody pays 17 percent. There are not deductions or loopholes for big money people to take advantage of. Americans currently spend 48 percent of their incomes on taxes, and an average of 37 hours preparing the 1040.

Certainly a tax law that promotes equality through simplicity deserves a serious look.

Bob Rice

Debates concern class warfare

Dear Editor,

A serious attempt is being made to hood-

wink the American people. The debates in Washington, D.C., have very little to do with balancing the budget. The Republicans would not be proposing a large tax cut for the wealthy if it did.

What is occurring here is what once was called class warfare before the media made it a dirty phrase.

It is about an upward distribution of wealth from the poor and middle class to the rich. This is the reverse Robin Hood strategy — steal from children, old people, the disabled and anyone who can't fight back and give to the rich.

Notice that the Republicans are not talking about cutting the military budget, nor are they talking about cutting the numerous corporate welfare programs, which amount to hundreds of billions of dollars.

In addition, if the old corporate tax rate of 70 percent were still in existence (former President Ronald Reagan cut it to 30 percent, and it was increased only slightly by President Bill Clinton), there would be no budget deficit. It would disappear completely.

This war on the poor is a worldwide phenomenon. The policies of the IMF and World Bank nations result in tragedies like Somalia and Rwanda.

Right-wing parties in Europe are even attempting to impose this corporate agenda there. However, the French are fighting back against the Contract with France. Evidently, they realize if France has money to conduct nuclear tests in the Pacific, they also have money for their budget deficit without cutting social programs.

It is past time for the American people to protest. Otherwise, there will be even more homeless children on our streets.

Gary Sudborough

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CommunityTurn

Locals support summer activities

As the cold, harsh winter comes to a close, thoughts turn to summer. It won't be long until it will be an enjoyable experience to go outdoors. Many of us are looking forward to enjoying the parks and summer activities offered through the Maryville Parks and Recreation Department.

Thoughts are beginning to focus on the smell of freshly cut grass, a picnic in the park, watching children enjoy the playgrounds, the trip to the aquatic center to escape the hot weather and almost being able to hear the crack of the bat as it strikes the ball at the local ball diamond.

All of these thoughts will soon become a reality, as summer is just around the corner.

The Maryville Parks and Recreation Activities brochure will be available in mid-March to allow you to plan for your summer activities. Join us as we prepare to have fun in the sun.

Maryville has been very supportive of park and recreation activities for over 50 years. In the late 1940s, a summer recreation director was employed to supervise youth activities in the parks. The community also rallied together to



ROD AUXIER

Maryville Parks and Recreation Department encourages involvement in youth, adult programs

provide a bus to transport youth to Bedford, Iowa, to participate in swimming lessons. Numerous individuals have volunteered their time and expertise to plan and develop foresight and dedication of these individuals. The Mary-

ville Park and Recreation Board has directed the expansion of programs and facilities for the citizens of Maryville.

We are indeed fortunate to live in a community that continues to support and assist the Maryville Parks and Recreation Department. Local businesses, civic organizations and individuals participate in the youth and adult programs through their sponsorship.

Several improvements which have occurred over the years would not have been possible without the caring support of the entire community.

The community's past support of parks and recreation is evident as we look at the facilities available in the local parks.

Through the continued support of businesses, civic organizations, community groups and caring individuals, Maryville will continue to expand and improve the facilities and programs for the enjoyment of future generations.

Rod Auxier is the Maryville Parks and Recreation Director.

CampusTurn

Education leadership leads to success

According to John D. Rockefeller III, "an organization is a system with a logic of its own, and all the weight of tradition and inertia. The deck is stacked in favor of the tried and proven way of doing things and against the taking of risks and striking out in new directions."

Unfortunately, many of America's universities and colleges as organizations align perfectly with this definition.

In a time when the world around us is moving at an unprecedented pace and when America is struggling to remain competitive in a global marketplace, can the American higher education system tolerate inertia and refuse to strike out in new directions?

The answer most would conclude is *no*. Universities and colleges are training ground for the leaders and teachers of tomorrow, and they have an obligation to their students and communities to provide an education that is and will be relevant and one that promotes continuous learning.

With the coming of the new millennium, America and the world will face, perhaps, unimaginable changes in education, the economy, social issues, technology and race relations.

One thing, however, is inevitable — the next generation is certain to blame their fate on the present, just as the present has placed blame on the past.

Educational institutions that elect to explore new approaches and challenge conventional



JIM MOORE

New obstacles challenge learning, but Northwest takes positive steps

wisdom by committing to lead versus follow and by striving for excellence in lieu of mediocrity will become the arenas where tomorrow is shaped and where the successes of the next generation are born.

Having returned to Northwest last July, I am excited to see my University has maintained its commitment to progress, and, as an organization, is continuing to challenge the "business as usual" way of doing things.

In the last six months I have seen a continued commitment to technology, met and talked with several faculty members who are passionate about their mission to educate and prepare students for the future, and I have worked with

students who, by their own choice, decided to be different.

"I'm sure some will think my assessment of my Alma Mater is somewhat biased or perhaps premature.

After all, I'm an alumnus, I've only been back on campus for less than a year and my purpose for being here is to provide opportunities for Northwest alumni and friends to support the school — of course I'm going to be positive. Well, the fact is, I have had the good fortune of spending time on other campuses where the sense of purpose was not focused on innovation and new directions and where the community clearly served as an obstacle, not a partner.

Certainly, I'm not suggesting Northwest is doing everything right. I am, however, suggesting in my opinion, we are headed in the right direction.

Now is a time of great opportunity, a time when, individually and collectively, we all make a difference.

Realize that your future, and our future as a university and community rests firmly in your hands.

Act responsibly, have a vision and great things can and will happen.

Being a leader is not without sacrifice or pain, but we owe it to our students, our children and ourselves to try.

Jim Moore is the associate director of annual giving.

It's YourTurn

How do you think negative advertising has played out on the presidential process?



John Nash
graduate assistant

"In the long run, it discredits the person giving the negative statement. In the short term, people really believe what they hear."



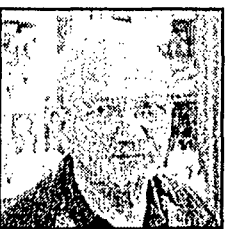
Aaron Errinchristensen
high school student

"I haven't really heard anything yet."



Shannon Beecham
Northwest student

"I guess it only works for some. It's pretty much fair game because everybody is being dirty."



Earl Brown
community resident

"They're definitely not good. They don't talk about the issues but dwell on the personality."

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Thursday, Feb. 22

Student payday
7:30 p.m. - "Tooth of Crime" in the Charles Johnson Theater
7:30 p.m. - ABC Fashion and talent show in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center

Friday, Feb. 23

Men's and women's indoor track at the MIAA Championships in Warrensburg
7 p.m. - "Kids" movie and discussion in the Mary Linn
7:30 p.m. - "Tooth of Crime" in the CJT

Saturday, Feb. 24

Men's and women's indoor track at the MIAA Championships in Warrensburg
5:30 p.m. - Women's basketball at the University of Missouri-St. Louis
7 p.m. - "Kids" movie and discussion in the Mary Linn
7:30 p.m. - Men's basketball at UMSL
7:30 p.m. - "Tooth of Crime" in the CJT

Sunday, Feb. 25

2 p.m. - "Tooth of Crime" in the CJT
7 p.m. - Auditions for "Antigone" in the Mary Linn

Monday, Feb. 26

9 a.m. - Senior assessment in the Regents Room
4:30 p.m. - Auditions for "Antigone" in the Mary Linn
7:30 - Roger Gillen in the Union Ballroom
7:30 p.m. - "Tooth of Crime" in the CJT

Tuesday, Feb. 27

9 a.m. - Senior assessment in the Regents Room
2 p.m. - Softball vs. Missouri Western State College at Beal Park
6 p.m. - Student Senate in the University Club North
7:30 p.m. - "Tooth of Crime" in the CJT

Wednesday, Feb. 28

7 p.m. - Julia Hare book signing at Gourmet Pleasures
7:30 p.m. - "Tooth of Crime" in the CJT

Thursday, Feb. 23

Dr. Julia Hare in the Union
noon - Baseball vs. St. Cloud State University at Bearcat Field
2 p.m. - Softball vs. South Dakota State University at Beal Park
7:30 - "Tooth of Crime" in the CJT

All-in-one card to begin in fall

VANESSA SKAGGS
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Imagine being pictured next to Northwest's very own Bobby Bearcat, and being able to use this picture to do different things throughout campus.

This picture will be on the new all-in-one ID cards, which could be available by the summer semester but will definitely be ready by the fall 1996 semester.

Student pictures for the new card will be taken in April.

The card, referred to as the "Bearcat Card," will be accepted as an identification card, meal card and debit card. The present ID and debit card will become obsolete.

The new ID will feature a mug shot of the student with Bobby Bearcat lounging in front of a Northwest Missouri State University sign. On the front of the card, a small barcode will be placed in the bottom right corner, which will be used in Owens Library and Textbook Services.

On the back side there will be two stripes, one being for debit expenses and the other for meals. These stripes will be magnetic so the new system at the Union will pick up a student's account with a quick swipe of the card.

The card will only do things the present ID and debit card does now, but Northwest is looking into using the new card for the recreation center, equipment checkout and for keeping track of who came to required events.

Some students seem optimistic about the new card and believe it will be less of a hassle to deal with when only worrying about one card.

"I think this card is going to be a lot handier," Tricia Simons, business major, said. "Now we won't have all of these cards to carry around. It's just a great idea."

Other students like the convenience the card will give.

"It sounds a lot better than what we have now," Teresa Dickerson, undecided major, said. "It will take up less space and be more convenient for use."

Class allows new perspective

Program allows students to understand disability

VANESSA SKAGGS
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Wheeling into a classroom may be an everyday thing for some people, but today students are finding out what it's really like to be physically challenged.

Students enrolled in the Independent Living for the Handicapped and Disabled class will be experiencing a simulation in which they will experience being handicapped for a day.

This simulation has been included in the class for the past three years.

From 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. today, these students are required to perform their duties in life while being confined in a wheelchair or hobbling around while on crutches.

Other disabilities included in this simulation are severe arthritis, locomotor impairments, blindness, deafness or spinal related injuries.

Not all disabilities are being covered because not all of them can be simulated and some disabilities are not very appropriate for this simulation.

Disabilities not being simulated in the class are those that are not evident to the general population, such as diabetes.

"The intention of this simulation is to have them (the students) enter the world of disabilities," John Woodward, human environmental sciences professor, said. "They should see it as a radical change from their normal routine and they're going to find it difficult to do every day things."

Students are to receive a better understanding of the struggles of being disabled.

Woodward explained there is the struggle of the physical environment, but an even bigger problem would be that of the attitudinal barriers.

"People think just because a person is living in one function of the body, they are limited in other functions," Woodward said. "They will speak louder for example. Disabled people get upset at being talked down to."

Although some things take more than rules and protection rights, the Americans With Disabilities Act helps people with disabilities to live more fulfilling lives.

According to the ADA, major institutions must provide access for the handicapped, such as certain widths for doorways and workspaces.

It has often been referred to as the Bill of Rights for disabled Americans.

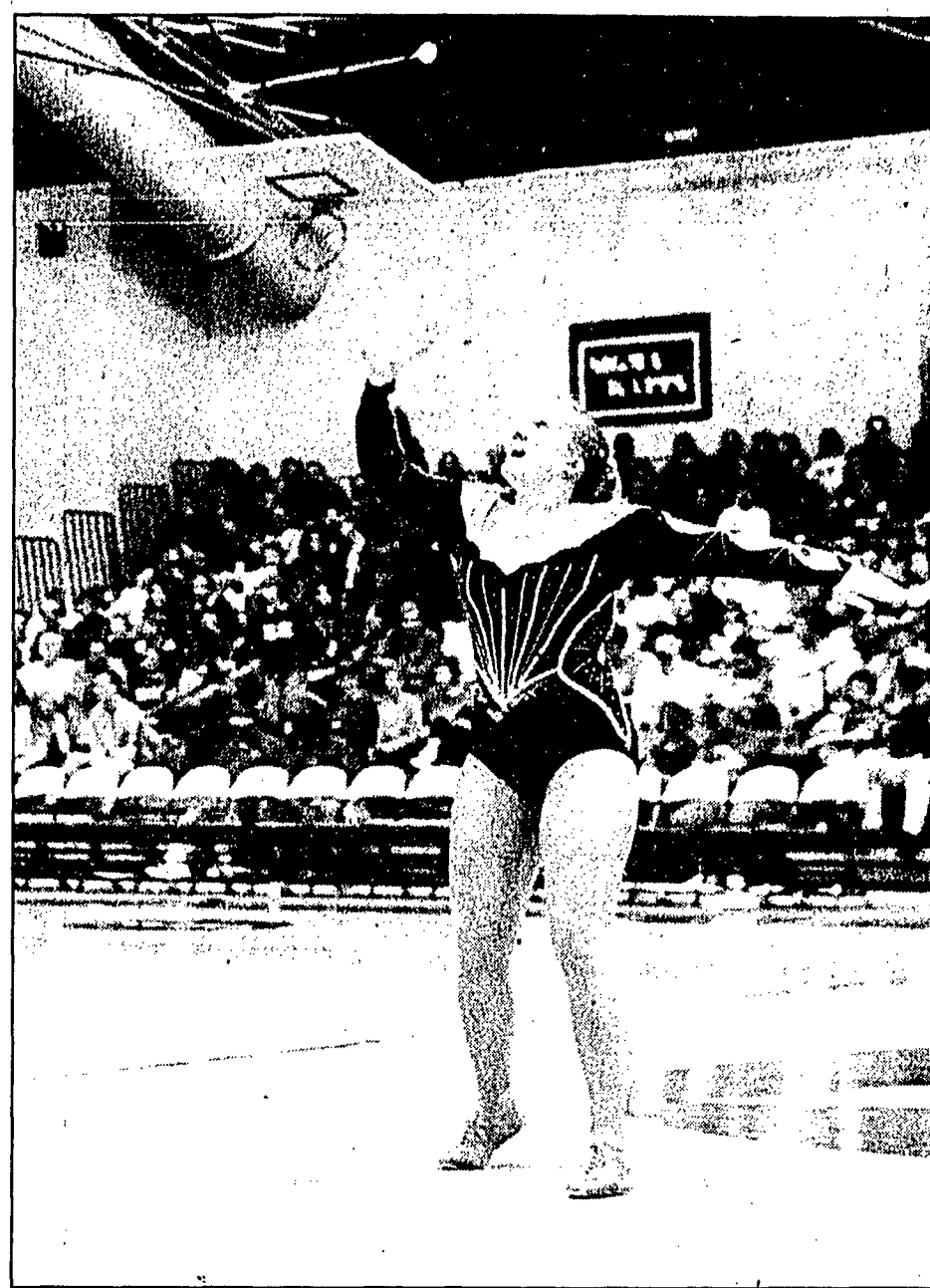
The bottom line is this simulation is supposed to put students in the first-hand experience of the handicapped person.

"In the past, students have found the experience enlightening and (they) dispel the stereotypes they may have had about handicapped people," Woodward said.

"I expect for it to be a lot harder than normal life," Angie Wright, child and family studies major, said. "It will be different but it's only one day; handicaps have to go through it for the rest of their lives."

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Angie Wright
child and family studies major



JENNIFER STEWART/Chief Photographer

How high will it go? Suzie Lumbard twirls her baton as she entertains the crowd at Bearcat Arena Saturday night. Lumbard, Northwest's featured twirler, was part of the half-time show where Northwest took on Pittsburgh State.

Health welcomes new nurse

JULIET MARTIN
MISSOURIAN STAFF

There is a new face at Student Health Services.

Judy Frueh, the new OB/GYN nurse practitioner, joined the staff this semester.

Frueh is responsible for doing well-woman exams and dealing with student questions on birth control, vaginal infections and sexually transmitted diseases.

Frueh was originally contacted by Dr. Wilmes and nurse coordinator Joyce Bottorff to be hired as a second OB/GYN practitioner because of a heavier load in business.

Because Frueh is local, she can start earlier than before and stay longer so another practitioner is not needed.

Elaine Greer, the former OB/GYN nurse practitioner, left the position to spend more time with her family.

Frueh is from Pickering and she graduated from West Nodaway High School. She attended Research in Rockhurst where she received her bachelor's degree in nursing.

She then went to the University of Texas-

Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas to earn her certificate to become an OB/GYN nurse practitioner. In June 1992, she became nationally certified.

Frueh enjoys being a part of the staff at Northwest.

"The location is great and the education and preventative teaching the staff and I do is excellent," Frueh said. "Everyone has been really helpful and I really enjoy the students and staff."

Frueh also said she enjoys working in the college atmosphere.

"The age of the clients is probably what pulled me in the most," she said. "There is so much education and preventative health, we need to teach people to be in control and ask questions."

Frueh is available at Student Health Services every Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. except the third Wednesday of the month. She will also work the third Tuesday of every month.

Bottorff says Frueh is a welcome addition to Northwest.

"She is excellent to work with and the patients seem to really enjoy her," Bottorff said.

Singer's show marks end of era

KELLY MOONEY
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Coffee and Irish music come together for Roger Gillen's third performance at Northwest as part of the now-defunct Café Karma series.

The show will be at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Union Ballroom. The show is free, but people attending can buy a \$1 bottomless cup of coffee.

Gillen, an Irish singer/song writer

and guitarist, has brought around 40 to 50 people to his two previous performances, said Becky Pinick, Campus Activity Programmers president.

"Gillen is very good and very personable," Pinick said. "The crowd really loves him."

This will be the first time the event will not be called Café Karma. Competition from the coffeehouses in town and lack of interest on campus are the reasons CAPs decided to dis-

continue Café Karma.

CAPs comedy chair Cammy Newton said Café Karma couldn't provide the experience of a real coffeehouse, because the group only offered it once a month. Other coffeehouses allow patrons to smoke and sit for hours every day.

However, CAPs is trying to provide an incentive to attend by offering a display of photographs from a creative photography class.

Any campus news ideas? Call Karen or Jason at x-1224.

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